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November 14, 2001

Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor
State of Utah
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining
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Dear Mr. Hedberg,

This letter is in response to your letter dated October 19, 2001 in which you state that our Grouse Creek Quarry operation located in Section 26, Township 9, North, Range 19 West, SLBM, Box Elder County, Utah exceeded the 5.0 disturbed acreage limitation of a small mining operation. You further requested that we meet with you to determine how this situation will be remedied. It is my understanding that you met with Charlie Nichols and that I am to submit to you our plan for satisfying your request. Below is Ash Grove's proposed plan to satisfy your request that will maintain our Grouse Creek Quarry as a small mining operation.

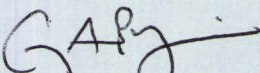
Ash Grove proposes to reclaim the 1.75 acres of access road to bring the total disturbed acreage to less than 5.0 acres. We will use the following seed mixture as required by the BLM.

Crested wheatgrass	8 lbs.
Thickspike wheatgrass	3 lbs.
Indian rice grass	3 lbs.
Lewis flax	1 lbs.
Palmer penstemon	1 lbs.
Fourwing saltbrush	2 lbs.
Forage kochia	2 lbs.

We will also define the boundary of the quarry with metal stakes. Our time line for accomplishing this work is November 27th and the 28th 2001.

Please contact me if you have any questions at (208) 775-3351 ext. 12.

Sincerely,
Ash Grove Cement Company


Craig A. Puljan
Plant Manager

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